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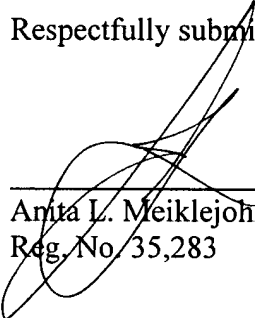
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Applicants' records show that the Information Disclosure Statements complied with 37 CFR 1.97. Thus, we respectfully request that the Examiner initial and return these forms as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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